

**WALDO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT SESSION  
(SPECIAL SESSION)  
DECEMBER 11, 2009**

**PRESENT:** Commissioners Donald P. Berry, Sr. (Chairman), Amy R. Fowler and William D. Shorey with County Clerk Barbara Arseneau to take minutes.

Commissioner Berry opened the court session at 9:00 a.m.

**NEW EMA BUILDING PROJECT COST NEGOTIATIONS:**

Present with the Commissioners was EMA Deputy Director Olga Rumney. There was brief discussion about the possibility of tying in some of the work – such as water, sewer, etc. – for the proposed new Sheriff's Office project with the EMA building project.

The EMA Building Planning Committee met yesterday with two firms to discuss plan design for the new EMA building project. The firms who met with the Committee were WBRC and Harriman. The Committee reviewed the credentials of both firms and noted that WBRC has been involved with 72 projects in the City of Belfast and has dealt extensively with the City Planning Board. O. Rumney noted that WBRC is so interested in doing this project that they had already started designing in anticipation of working with Waldo. The consensus of the Committee was that WBRC would be the firm to choose. Michael Pullen, WBRC Architect, was very excited when EMA Director Dale Rowley called to inform him that WBRC received the highest rating by the Committee. The Commissioners agreed to schedule time to meet with WBRC and EMA Director Dale Rowley at 1:00 p.m. rather than at 11:30 a.m. during the December 15, 2009 Commissioners Court Session. The Commissioners also decided that they would either take a brief lunch break or have a working lunch and then go to the EMA Office to meet with them.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**\*\*W. Shorey moved, A. Fowler seconded entering Executive Session as allowed by MRSA Title 1 § 405 (F) for a personnel matter at 9:16 a.m. Unanimous.**

**\*\*A. Fowler moved, W. Shorey seconded to exit Executive Session at 11:19 a.m. Unanimous.**

No action was taken by the Commissioners.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**\*\*W. Shorey moved, A. Fowler seconded entering Executive Session as allowed by MRSA Title 1 § 405 (F) for a personnel matter at 11:31 a.m. Unanimous.**

**\*\*A. Fowler moved, W. Shorey seconded to exit Executive Session at 11:41 a.m. Unanimous.**

**\*\*A. Fowler moved, W. Shorey seconded to accept the COLA contribution an employee wishes to make toward the retirement plan with MEPEERS. Unanimous.**

1. B. Arseneau notified the Commissioners that a notice has been sent out announcing that IRS mileage rates are going down January 1, 2010 from .55 cents to .50 cents per mile.

2. The Commissioners received an email message from Facilities Manager Keith Nealley saying that he is requesting fuel oil bids early in the year. Proposals for July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 will be due back in time for the January 12, 2010 Commissioners Court Session. K. Nealley also informed the Commissioners that bids for cleaning the Waldo County University Extension Office will be opened during that court session, as well.

3. Technology Consultant James Arseneau sent information that there is a web site for Public Safety that has grant information. The subscription is \$175.00 per year and he wondered if the Commissioners would wish to subscribe in order to apply for some of these grants. The Commissioners did not opt to do so at this time.

**FUTURE COURT SESSIONS:**

The next County Commissioners court session is scheduled on December 15, 2009.

**\*\*D. Berry moved, A. Fowler, W. Shorey seconded adjourning the meeting at 11:47 a.m.  
Unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted by *Barbara L. Arseneau*  
**Waldo County Clerk**